



Duwamish River Superfund Site: Jorgensen Forge

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I believe that the way that Seattle manages the places where our waters and shores meet is tied to our City's future, the health of its habitants and the long term strength of its economy -- and that clean water and a healthy environment will be the two most important factors in determining long term livability and economic stability for our area and our nation.

The EPA's Jorgensen Forge Clean Up Alternative 4 appears to be the best alternative for achieving the goal of protecting life in the river and citizens fishing for food there -- I support it.

Care should be taken to evaluate the Jorgensen site and all future sites around the Duwamish to ensure that the best possible available technology for sediment removal and related work is used in order to minimize health impacts on the surrounding community during clean-up.

Protecting the investment we are making in cleaning the Duwamish River is essential. Cooperation at all levels of government is needed here. Upriver pollution sources, continuing as they are, will likely damage the people's investment in clean-up. A system of reduction, control and monitoring of pollutants entering the lower Duwamish from upstream must be included in the River-wide clean-up plan if long term success is our goal.

Thank you for all your work on our behalf,

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